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Robert Daniel Maher III

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PREVENTING DENIAL OF

SERVICE ATTACKS

Mail Stop: AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed March 10, 2005, please reconsider the claims pending in this application in light of the remarks set forth below.

Listing of the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.